

## OF THE TIME AND THE FALSE.

God and the devil are having a great conflict.

The spirit and the flesh mangled and interwoven unto the web has the appearance of lindsay wolsey.

Condemned is the mechanic that tries to put up a job of that kind on the scientific inspector, who will judge the work in that great and notable day of the Lord. When we agree with God for the price of a penny, whether it requires one hundred or one million days, it will make us as millionaires in the investment of God's great abundance in the place, "I go to prepare for you." Brother, God's shuttle is of pure material, and if we are weaving land and cockle burs, fetlock and spanish needles into the web of life, we are using the shuttle of Apolyon, and have no will to render to God the things that are God's, much less to man things that are man's.

A conniving man is like a river with one bank; the refreshing waters slush away, and the inhabitants suffer below. Put up the other bank, and there is gladness of heart, and songs of praise echoing the length of the stream.

A few years ago a beautiful rivulet opened up for the thirsty ones in the land of Uz; but, alas! it is now filled up, up, with quick sand. Not by the shovels of God, but it will require God's shovels to open the channel. There is a well in that land, but it is very deep, and the amount of water small. But the thirsty inhabitants are in great hopes that the governor of the land will send able force in due time to remove the sand, and rescue the perishing. Pray, brother; pray, sister.

Oh, Lord, thou art Master Homer's Lord, his Creator and preserver. Thou canst diagnose his case in Chicago, Ashland or elsewhere, and apply the knife of restoration to any of the internal organs much more successfully than we can remove a pimple from the surface of the body or administer a cup of cold water to the thirsty. We are as helpless as the hot cinder and ashes of the burning furnace without thy presence. Homer can put his hand on the place and in childlike simplicity call to mother "here, here it is." Mother can only sympathize and weep in her frail efforts to get that oil and balm in the caged tiger's mouth to allay his fierceness for the safety of her child. But, oh, Lord, thou canst get right there with the beams and bars of saving power. Will it, and it is done. Command the demon and he must depart. Save and prolong the child's life for thine own glory, and for the joy of Brother and Sister H. whose souls are drawn out with all that humanity can endure, for their darling child. Now, Lord, Homer is thine; we all are thine. Our united request is, slay the tiger, apply the child to thy father's use here upon earth, and let the dark days be instrumental in bringing brighter ones with rejoicing and hallelujahs and laden with odors of heaven, and the praise shall be thine, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

A. F. DEETER.

A private letter from Sister Grossnickle dated May 16th, says: "Tomorrow will be our communion. Then on Friday I go to Troy to attend Business meeting on Saturday, and to preach on Sunday. I shall come home on Monday and go to Loree on Tuesday to the ministerial meeting, nothing preventing. So its work, work, and go, go. I am tired sometimes, but I am not sorry I do have to work, for a life without work must be a tiresome life."

## Marriages.

**PONTIOUS—HUFFMAN.**—Brother Peter Pontious and Sister Emma Huffman of the New Highland congregation at the residence of father Dockedy, Fulton Co., Ind., May 6th, 1894. They expect to go to Michigan in a short time where Bro. Pontious will engage in the work of the ministry. We regret to give them up at Highland yet our loss will be other's gain. May peace and prosperity attend them through life.

Fraternally Yours,  
D. A. HOPKINS.

**DAVIDSON—GAUMER.**—At the home of the bride's parents in New Va., Ia., May 10, '94, Mr. Wm. J. Davidson and Sister Lesta Gaumer, both of New Va., Ia., in the presence of about forty-five relatives and friends. There was a bounteous feast and many presents. May their voyage through life be pleasant and happy.

I. J. THOMAS.

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